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SUBJECT: GAO REVIEW: "TRAINING PROVIDED FOREIGN NATIONALS
IN NUCLEAR ENGINEERING AND RELATED FIELDS"

1. AT THE REQUEST OF THE SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSE
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, THE GAO HAS INITIATED A REVIEW
OF THE PERTINENT AGENCIES OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IN
WASHINGTON OF THE TRAINING AND EDUCATION PROVIDED FOREIGN
NATIONALS BY THE UNITED STATES IN NUCLEAR ENGINEERING
AND RELATED FIELDS. THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF THIS STUDY
WILL BE TO DETERMINE IF ANY NUCLEAR TRAINING BEING PRO-
VIDED BY U.S. UNIVERSITIES, NATIONAL LABORATORIES, OR
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PRIVATE INDUSTRY HAS AN ADVERSE EFFECT UPON THE U.S.
GOVERNMENT'S NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION POLICY. SECONDLY,
THE GAO WISHES TO REVIEW WHAT TRAINING IS CURRENTLY BEING
SUBSIDIZED BY THE UNITED STATES AND TO EVALUATE ANY
CONTROLS WHICH THE U.S. MAY HAVE OVER THE TRAINING OF
FOREIGN NATIONALS IN THIS SENSITIVE AREA.

2. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS REVIEW, A SMALL GAO TEAM WOULD LIKE TO VISIT THE IAEA MISSION IN VIENNA DURING THE MIDDLE OF AUGUST FOR APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS, TIMING OF THIS TRIP IS SUBJECT TO THE MISSION'S CONCURRENCE, TO DISCUSS NUCLEAR TRAINING PROVIDED THROUGH THE IAEA'S FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM. THE NAMES OF THE GAO TEAM, CERTIFICATION OF SECURITY CLEARANCES, TRAVEL DETAILS, HOTEL REQUIREMENTS, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE AS MAY BE NEEDED, WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF A SEPARATE TELEGRAM FROM THE GAO EUROPEAN BRANCH DIRECTOR. THE GAO IS AWARE THAT CONTACTS WITH FOREIGN OFFICIALS ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE US REPRESENTATIVE, TO BE ARRANGED FOR BY THE MISSION AND A MISSION OFFICER TO ACCOMPANY, IF FEASIBLE.

3. IT IS THE DEPARTMENT'S POLICY TO COOPERATE WITH THE GAO IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES IN 4 FAM 930-934. QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS ARISING DURING THE COURSE OF THE REVIEW, PARTICULARLY REGARDING GAO ACCESS TO AND/OR RETENTION OF DEPARTMENT FILES OR DOCUMENTS, SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT. VANCE

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